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Health advisory ends for Port Townsend water system customers

OLYMPIA — Customers of the City of Port Townsend water system in Jefferson County no longer need to boil their drinking water. The city ended the advisory after recent lab tests showed the water is safe to drink.

The health advisory was issued yesterday when a water main broke causing a water outage that extended for three city blocks. The city was also hearing reports of brown tap water.

“We’ve fixed the water main break, flushed the lines, and completed water quality sampling,” said Ken Clow, Port Townsend’s public works director. “We’re pleased the results are good and we can lift the boil water advisory.”

Plumbing fixtures, ice machines, soda machines, water fountains, and other similar equipment that hasn’t been used in the past couple days, should be flushed until there’s a change in water temperature before use.

Customers with questions may call the city at 360-379-5096.

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